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SUBJECT: CABLE HIGHLIGHTS FOR JUNE 23, 1977

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FOLLOWING ARE CABLE HIGHLIGHTS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 23:

1. NORTH KOREA ENDING TILT TOWARD CHINA? SWISS EMBASSY
PEKING BELIEVES THAT RECENT NORTH KOREAN MOVES INDICATE
WARMING RELATIONS WITH MOSCOW AT PEKING'S EXPENSE. AS
EVIDENCE OF THIS TREND, THE SWISS CITE KIM'S PROSPECTIVE
MOSCOW VISIT AND NORTH KOREA'S DISSATISFACTION WITH THE
RECENTLY-CONCLUDED FIVE-YEAR TRADE AGREEMENT WITH THE
PRC. (PEKING 1271, CONFIDENTIAL/EXDIS)

2. DEMONSTRATIONS IN SOUTH AFRICA. CONSULATE GENERAL
JOHANNESBURG REPORTS THAT 3,000 SOWETO STUDENTS ATTEMPTED
TO MARCH ON JOHANNESBURG TODAY BUT WERE STOPPED BY
POLICE. THE CONSULATE GENERAL CONCLUDES THAT BLACKS
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ARE SEEKING TO INCREASE THE IMPACT OF THEIR DEMONSTRATIONS
BY SHIFTING THE ACTION TO JOHANNESBURG, AND THAT THIS WILL
RESULT IN HIGHER CASUALTIES. (JOHANNESBURG 1622, LIMITED
OFFICIAL USE)

3. BEGIN VISIT. CHARGE DUNNIGAN HAS LEARNED THAT FOREIGN
MINISTER DAYAN WILL NOT ACCOMPANY BEGIN TO WASHINGTON

NEXT MONTH. HE MAY, HOWEVER, VISIT ALONE AT A LATER
DATE. (TEL AVIV 4583, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

4. BEGIN SETS STAGE FOR CARTER MEETING. EMBASSY TEL AVIV
REPORTS BEGIN AND DAYAN HAVE MOVED RAPIDLY TO STAKE OUT
A NEW ISRAELI NEGOTIATING POSITION WHICH OPPOSES(A)
WITHDRAWAL TO THE 1967 BORDERS; (B) ESTABLISHMENT OF A
PALESTINIAN HOMELAND; AND (C) ACCEPTANCE OF ALTERNATE
SECURITY MEASURES ENVISAGED IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
THE FIRST TWO POINTS. IN THE EMBASSY'S OPINION, THE
BEGIN/DAYAN POSITION, AN EXTRAORDINARY CHANGE OF POLICY,
FACES ONLY WEAK OPPOSITION FROM THE ALIGNMENT AND DMC.
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